

The Sheldon City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. Mayor Katricia Meendering called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken. Present: Pete Hamill, Randy Fonkert, Brad Hindt, Greg Geels, and Zach Sawyer. Also present: Scott Wynja, Todd Uhl, Lyle Bolkema, and Angela Beckman.

Public Comments: None.

A motion was made by Geels and seconded by Hamill to approve the consent agenda with the following items:

- a. Minutes of March 2, 2016, including the boards and commissions.
- b. Summary list of claims, and additional claim as presented, including the boards and commissions.
- c. February financial reports.
- d. Mayor's appointments of Larry Meyers to the Trails Board and Rachael Becker to the Parks and Recreation Commission.
- e. Approval of SCAT applicant, Erin Smith.
- f. Approval of the route for the Village Northwest Run, Walk, and Roll Event on June 4, 2016.
- g. Approval of the Village Northwest Fireworks Display on Friday, July 1, 2016.

Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Mayor Meendering noted that the audit was not complete; therefore it will be on the agenda on April 6, 2016.

Rick Nordahl, SCDC Board Director stated that the SCDC Executive Board met two weeks ago and voted to reappoint Curt Strouth as the Economic Development Director. A motion was made by Hindt and seconded by Geels to reappoint Curt Strouth as Economic Development Director, for him to continue his employment. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding Event Center. Wynja stated that to date we have \$965,000 in donations and/or pledges towards it; \$840,000 from the Vision Iowa CAT Grant; and approximately \$200,000 from other sources. Therefore would like the Council to consider a general obligation capital loan note not to exceed \$3,400,000. Wynja also stated that the results of the operations study anticipated a \$100,000 loss. The City has received a pledge for operations in the amount of \$225,000 over a 10 year period. Other financing options for the operations could be \$25,000 from Local Option Sales Tax (LOST), and \$52,000 from the additional 2% of Hotel/Motel Tax. Discussion was held on possibly keeping an additional 1% of the Hotel/Motel Tax to help with expenses of upkeep and mowing in this area. Wynja asked for direction on the management of the facility, whether it be a City employee or hire a firm that would specialize in this area. It was the consensus of the Council for Wynja to contact the Marketing Committee to discuss the option of the City keeping an additional 1% of Hotel/Motel

Tax beginning in 2017, and for Wynja to compose a Request For Proposal for contract labor on the Events Center. A motion was made by Sawyer and seconded by Hindt to set 04/20/16 at 4:30 p.m. for a public hearing to consider approval of the plans, specifications and form of contract for the events center. Fonkert asked for clarification on the form of contract. Wynja stated that the City would have the bid results on the project at that time and could award the bid. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried. A motion was made by Geels and seconded by Hamill to approve Resolution R16-4198 A RESOLUTION FIXING THE DATE OF 04/06/16 AT 4:30 P.M. FOR A MEETING ON THE AUTHORIZATION OF A LOAN AGREEMENT AND THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$3,400,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL LOAN NOTES OF THE CITY OF SHELDON, STATE OF IOWA (FOR ESSENTIAL CORPORATE PURPOSES) AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF NOTICE THEREOF. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Uhl stated that we have our first change order, which is for a valve and a reducer bushing, which are both necessary. A motion was made by Hamill and seconded by Sawyer to approve change order #1 in the amount of \$1,445.00 for the Sludge Piping Modification Project. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried. A motion was made by Hindt and seconded by Hamill to approve Pay Estimate #1 to Wallace Caswell in the amount of \$13,102.00 for the Sludge Piping Modification Project. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Fonkert and seconded by Sawyer to hold a public hearing on 04/06/16 at 4:30 p.m. on the 6-Unit T-Hangar at the Sheldon Regional Airport. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Staff Comments: Uhl stated that after talking with the Water Superintendent they feel our water situation has improved and at this time will be lifting the water watch that has been on since 2013. He also stated that the new SCADA computer at the Water Plant is up and running.

Council Comments: Hindt and Mayor Meendering thanked Wynja for all his work on the Vision Iowa CAT Grant.

A motion was made by Sawyer and seconded by Fonkert to adjourn at 5:30 p.m. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Angela Beckman, City Clerk